

Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee Of The Transportation Safety & Advisory Commission City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

TO: Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee Members

FROM: Thanh Dang, Public Works Planner

DATE: March 17, 2013

RE: Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee Agenda for Monday March 24, 2013

The Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee will meet on Monday March 24, 2014 at 6:00pm in the Community Development classroom, 409 South Main Street, Harrisonburg. Meetings are always open to the public and citizens are encouraged to attend.

Welcome

Public comments, limited to 5 minutes each, for topics not on the agenda.

Business

- Snow Removal from Sidewalks Thanh Dang
 Please bring a list of <u>priority</u> areas where snow removal from sidewalks is a problem and is needed.
- 2. Skateboarding as Transportation Thanh Dang
- 3. Virginia MUTCD Supplement, Revision Thanh Dang http://www.virginiadot.org/business/virginia_mutcd_supplement.asp
- 4. Locations Where ADA Curb Ramps Needed Thanh Dang
- 5. Committee Updates
 - a. School Crossing Guards Nathan Barge, Becky Johnston
 - **b.** Complete Streets John McGehee, Elise Barella, Eric Saner, Kyle Lawrence

- c. Abandoned Bikes Scott Drugo
- d. Other Enforcement and Education topics, e.g. biking on sidewalks in downtown, running red lights, biking in wrong direction, biking without lights/ reflectors, motorists not yielding to pedestrians, traffic division class, system to track violations ... Thanh Dang, Scott Drugo & Thomas Jenkins
- **e. Community Bike Map Project** *Thanh Dang, Thomas Jenkins, Elise Barella, Carl Droms, Eric Saner, Diana Henderson along with JMU representatives*
- 6. Update on projects under design/construction (Attachment B) Thanh Dang
- 7. Open Discussion

Announcements

8. Bike Month in May, www.svbcoalition.org/bike-month

Next Meeting: Monday May 19, 2014 at 6pm in the Community Development Classroom, 409 South Main Street

Adjourn

ATTACHMENT A: Update on City Projects under design and construction

For the March 24, 2014 Bicycle & Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting. General information is also available at: http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/transportation-projects.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, OR SOON TO START CONSTRUCTION

- Bluestone Trail Phase IA Construct 10-ft wide shared use path between Butler Street to Port Republic Road. Funded by James Madison University. More information available at: http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/Bluestone-Trail
 - UPDATE: Project construction bids were opened on March 6, 2014 and will be awarded to F. Clayton Plecker & Sons for \$350,687. Construction will begin May 12, 2014 and be completed by August 1, 2014. NOTE: JMU is also working on the Newman Dam Improvement Project which will include extending the Bluestone Trail from Port Republic Road to Sonner Hall.
- Bluestone Trail Phase IB Construct a 10-ft wide shared use path between Stone Spring Road to
 Butler Street. Funded by DCR Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant, VDOT Revenue Sharing
 Funds, and City funds. More information available at:
 http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/Bluestone-Trail
 - UPDATE: Project construction bids were opened on March 6, 2014 and will be awarded to Hammond-Mitchell, Inc for \$1,072,417. Construction will begin around April 1, 2014 and be completed by December 31, 2014.
- Carlton Street and Reservoir Street Roundabout This project is being funded by a
 combination of VDOT Revenue Sharing Funds and local funds. A roundabout at this location will
 improve intersection safety for motorists and pedestrians. More information:
 http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/carlton-street
 - UPDATE: This project is in final phases of design and right-of-way. Bid date anticipated in May 2014 and construction to begin late-June 2014 and to be completed in 2015.
- **Downtown Streetscape Project Phase 2** This project includes replacing sidewalk on the west side of Main Street between Bruce Street and South Court Square, replacing sidewalks on the east side of Main Street between Elizabeth Street and Wolfe Street installing decorative stamped crosswalks at intersections, replacing existing street lighting with decorative lights, replace and upgrade traffic signals, and install pedestrian signals. More information available at: http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/downtown-streetscape-next-steps
 - UPDATE: Construction bids for this project were opened on March 6, 2014. Bids are still under review.
- East Market Street Sidewalk Phase IV Construct a 5-ft wide sidewalk with 2-ft grass strip on south side of East Market Street between Carlton Street and 400' north of Hawkins Street. This project will also include pedestrian signals at the intersections of East Market Street with Carlton Street and Hawkins Street/Vine Street. Funded by VDOT Highway Safety Improvement Program.
 - UPDATE: Bids were opened in January was awarded to Toro Concrete, Inc. for \$334,178. Construction to start shortly and to be completed by August 29, 2014.

- Cale Trail Westover Park, West Market Street, & Thomas Harrison Middle School Shared use path to connect Thomas Harrison Middle School and Westover Park through the former Cale property that was donated to the City by Dr. William Cale and Mrs. Susan Cale.
 - UPDATE: City Surveyor has developed plat for new land donation from the Cales to the City. City Attorney is reviewing plats and deeds with the Cale's attorney. City staff and subcommittee members have been re-evaluating alignment for better alignment with future land donation. This project is currently has no funds for construction.
- Thomas Harrison Middle School to Hillandale Park connectors Construct a path from Wyndham Wood Drive to Thomas Harrison Middle School and West Market Street, and a path between Circle Drive to Hillandale Park. This project is in the planning phase and is not yet funded.
 - Thomas Harrison Middle School to Wyndham Drive
 - UPDATE: City Surveyor has marked 25-ft proposed easement and citizen volunteers have delineated a proposed trail alignment. Ms. Dang to contact property owner to follow up for onsite meeting. Weather has caused delay.
 - Wyndham Woods Circle to Hillandale Park
 - UPDATE: Property owner of subdivision and the City have been working together on the design of a future residential street and path connection from Wyndham Woods Circle into Hillandale Park. City paid for path design work by owner's engineer. The plans were approved in March. Property owner's schedule for construction is unknown.
- Downtown Streetscape Plan Update Update of previous Downtown Streetscape Plan (2004) to provide a comprehensive downtown streetscape plan that will develop a vision for all streets in the study area to develop public and private expectation for project elements. Study areas include the Downtown Core, Downtown Transition Area, and Downtown Gateways. More information available at: http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/downtown-streetscape-plan
 - UPDATE: This Plan was present to Planning Commission on January 8, 2014. Planning Commission requested that the plan be reviewed again by the Advisory Committee and Harrisonburg Downtown Renaissance Landscape Committee.
- Mt. Clinton Pike/ Chicago Avenue/ Park Road Roundabout Following the Chicago Avenue
 Corridor Study, completed in early 2013, the City initiated work on design of this roundabout to
 improve the intersections of Mt. Clinton Pike with Chicago Avenue and Park Road. This project is
 being funded by a combination of VDOT Revenue Sharing Funds and local funds. More
 information: http://www.chicagoavenue.org/.
 - UPDATE: Design is currently underway and project is being coordinated with Eastern Mennonite University and adjacent property owners. A public input meeting is TBD.
- Northend Greenway 2.5-mile Shared use path that will run between Park View area (near EMU/EMHS) that will mostly follow Blacks Run into downtown (near Washington St & N Main St), then travel via Federal Street alley to the Farmers Market. This is a public-private partnership between the City, and New Community Project and Northend Greenway volunteers. Phase I from Main Street to Liberty Street. Phase II from Park View area to Liberty Street. Phase I & II is total 8,300 lf. To be funded by VDOT Revenue Sharing Funds, City funds, and funds raised

by NEG. Estimated cost: Preliminary Planning, Engineering Design, and Right of Way for Phase I and Phase II totals \$525,000. Construction for Phase I \$675,000, Construction for Phase II \$1,225,000. Total project cost \$2,425,000.

- UPDATE: Project phasing and funding options being explored; a proposal was anticipated early February, but has been delayed through mid-April.
- Reservoir Street Project Widen Reservoir Street to sections of 5-lane facility and 4-lane facility with median. Project will include sidewalks on both sides and bike lanes.
 http://www.reservoirstreet.org/
 - UPDATE: Engineering design and right-of-way negotiations with property owners is currently underway. Utility companies have also begun relocations. Road project anticipated going to construction in 2015.
- Safe Routes to School Stone Spring ES Funded by Virginia Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Grant, this project will construct new sidewalks on the east side of Peach Grove Avenue between King Edwards Way to Decca Drive, install a new traffic signal at the intersection of Peach Grove Avenue and Stone Spring ES entrance, and include some additional sidewalk work on school property. Grant funds: \$292,000.
 - UPDATE: Surveying is currently underway. Engineering design to take place through Fall 2014. Project construction to start Summer 2015.